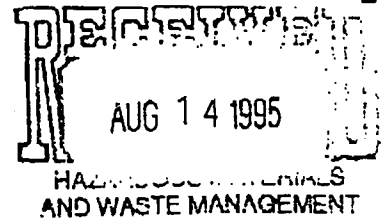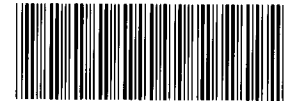*4D111*

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Re: RFCC's comment on DOE's preferred alternative of *NO ACTION* for RFETS OU11: WEST SPRAY FIELD.

Dear Carl:

It takes a great leap of faith to believe that OU11 is not grossly contaminated. It is more logical to believe DOE desperately needs some positive action, but this is not the way to get it. This field represents over 100 acres of otherwise beautiful landscape that has been contaminated for years by millions of gallons of toxic waste water containing high levels of nitrates, metals, radionuclides, volatile organic compounds, and semivolatile organic compounds. The organic compounds will be assimilated in time. The nitrates may help grass to grow and reduce wind dispersion of the metals and radionuclides, but the radionuclides and some metals will be there awaiting dispersion for thousands of years.

Given the proximity of this site to the Metro Denver Area and development potential, I suggest that DOE provide more evidence of the alleged benign risks to human health. I request a copy of the Final Combined Phases RFI/RI Report and other data that may support DOE's proposal.

As you may know, the RFCC is a completely independent organization dedicated to the safe and expedient cleanup of the RFETS. It is authorized under Superfund to asses technical documents regarding the cleanup of the RFETS superfund site, as in this case. Our main problem is timely notice of the preliminary design data and a copy of the final document. We would appreciate your help. Thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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